

is kind of like the day that Colorado beat Missouri on fifth down. I mean you got 18 votes and you got it on, but people weren't entirely...think that was won fair and square. Yes, the vote was 18 to 17 but it certainly wasn't the 25 votes needed, not anything that wasn't in the rules, but there is a little frustration because of that, and we all know it is going to take 25 votes in the end. But I guess the more important thing is that, you know, I was the guy that switched my vote on the Lamb amendment and got it adopted in a 20 to 19 vote. The reason I did that is because the one important thing is that what I was hearing, primarily from the ag sector, from all above the ag sector, that all these taxes are bad but the worst one is the energy tax. And the reason I voted for the Lamb amendment is that laid out in stone the energy tax was no longer going to be any part of the plan, but it'd keep depreciation. And Senator Smith gives an excellent dissertation as to why it is imperative upon some of us, even as representatives of rural areas, to go up there and say, yes, we are part of the reason this happened. And there is good policy reason, and Senator Chambers may not agree with our policy reason in history, but, yes, there is a reason the ag sector shares responsibility in how we got to here. And I guess it is my attitude, at least, particularly after some of the votes we took yesterday on exemptions,...

SENATOR MORRISSEY: One minute.

SENATOR MOORE: ...that we are not going to put things back on the tax rolls, and many things that we are talking about, it, unfortunately, is probably going to be closer to a permanent solution than a temporary one. And in someways, if you recognize the fact that the ag sector continues our exemptions on a variety of multibillion dollars items, and they do pay a portion of the depreciation tax, I think that is fair. I have some amendments filed that will keep the depreciation tax in, and collect some of the money from the income tax side, like the Schellpeper, and I am sure there is a variety of other things. But I think the wise thing to do now would be to repeal the Schellpeper amendment. And the reason I say that is the old adage LBJ said it better than anybody, Senator Schellpeper, and this is a direct quote, so I am going to use it as a direct quote, "If you are going to tell somebody to go to hell, you'd better make darn sure you make them go there." I don't think Senator Schellpeper can tell the rest of this body, the urban sector primarily, to kiss off, I got the votes, because I don't think he does.